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Honorable Gregory M. Sleet United States District Court J. Caleb Boggs Federal Building 844 King Street Lockbox 19 Wilmington, Delaware 19801-3570

Re. United States v. Andrew N. Yao

Criminal Action Number 06-27-GMS

Dear Judge Sleet:

In light of the filing of a Notice of Appearance by new counsel, enclosed please find a motion filed on behalf of prior defense counsel that we be permitted to withdraw as counsel for Andrew Yao in this matter.

Please also accept our gratitude for the courtesies the Court has shown to Mr. Brafman and to me at every stage of these proceedings. It has indeed been an honor and a pleasure to appear in this Court, and we look forward to appearing before Your Honor in the future. This gratitude extends to the United States Attorney's Office in your District, which likewise has shown great courtesy to us and to our client.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

cc. Benjamin Brafman, Esq. AUSA Shannon Hanson Brian McMonagle, Esq.

Andrew N. Yao